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Considering the kind of a time they are on the Shriners are doubtless pleased to note that this is not a dry town.

There are no hot sands for the Shriners to walk on. Along in late October this is pretty apt to be a country for web-footed Shriners only.

All Europe seems to oppose the choice of Joseph Chamberlain as premier of Great Britain, but as the Tory victory is his, he is entitled to its best fruits.

"Don't speak of the past," pleads Emmeluth. We should say not. Every time the Independents get a glimpse of Emmeluth's political past it makes them squirm.

Ex-President Harrison has come out squarely for McKinley on the prosperity issue and thus disappointed the Bryanites, who expected him to sulk in his tent. Mr. Cleveland remains silent, however, and for the first time in his public career, perhaps, declines to take sides on an issue of principle.

We trust the visiting Shriners will enjoy their stay on Oahu and will get some good weather before their time-limit expires. There will be no lack of hospitality in any meteorological event but it would be a pity to have the strangers from the deserts of the Mainland to fall of a chance to see the Hawaiian oasis at its best.

If a plumber brings you an \$800 bill for a \$200 job don't pay it. Let the plumber sue. It is more of a disgrace to submit to extortion and is costlier than to stand a lawsuit over it. There isn't a jury in Hawaii who would bring in a verdict against a householder who had taken a stand against extortion. The first man who offers the plumber a settlement on a fair basis and refuses to pay a cent more save at the end of a judgment will be a public benefactor.

A morning contemporary argues that because Daniel Webster shared some prevailing errors in geography in 1845, his views about the Constitution are not entitled to respect. It would be interesting to know what Mr. I. Straus of Baltimore, whom we have lately seen in the act of overruling Webster on the Flag and Constitution issue, thinks of the atmospheric pressure of inland Terra del Fuego. But even if he were dead right about it it could hardly qualify him, as we humbly suggest, to pass unassailable judgments upon the Organic law of the United States.

LUMBER AND PLUMBING.

A morning paper tries to raise up powerful friends for the plumbers by scaring the lumber combine into the belief that the overthrow of the plumbing trust would be necessarily followed by the prosecution of the local firms engaged in the lumber trade.

This strange attempt to fail of its object. There are two kinds of trusts in the business world; one the ordinary combination which extends the partnership or corporate idea and cannot be assailed under any law which the Supreme Court has been able to sustain; the other the criminal trust which acts as a conspiracy in restraint of trade. The legitimate trust may become a monopoly and a harmful one, like the Standard Oil Company; but if it sells at one price to all alike and does not resort to any form of unlawful coercion to keep competition out of the way, then the public cannot deal with it in a court of law. Severe statutes against monopolistic trusts of the type of the Honolulu lumber combine have been made in many States; but whenever they have reached the Supreme Court that ended them. As the law stands, men may unite in firms, firms in corporations and corporations in trusts; and unless they conspire to restrain trade within the meaning of the Federal statute there is no way provided by law to check any monopoly they may acquire or create.

The Advertiser lets the lumber trust alone because it sees no use in wasting powder; this paper attacks the plumbing outfit because, with the aid of the Federal laws, which the plumbers have violated, that trust may be destroyed. The Republican, which gets most of its knowledge of motives from the gutter, assumes that the Advertiser chooses to attack the plumbers because they are workmen. On the contrary it has taken the side of every workman who needs plumbing in his home, is required by law to put such plumbing in and is made a victim of the plumbing trust.

No matter what diversions the secret friends of the plumbing banditti may try to make the Advertiser will keep after those conspirators until it lands them one and all in the Federal Court; nor will it cease to recommend a change in the Government plumbing regulations and the refusal, for the next calendar year, of merchandise licenses to firms which discriminate against the public in favor of a trade combine which robs the public.

LEGAL ACTION COMING.

The plumbing trust must go. It is a clear infraction of the Federal laws defining conspiracy in restraint of trade. It can be as quickly dissolved as was the coal combine of California. All that is necessary is to begin a test case.

As will be seen in another column the Bishop Estate is not unlikely to take the responsibility and bear the costs of litigation. It is not necessary to wait until February when the Federal Grand Jury meets; action may be brought, as it was in the case of the coal combine without the preliminary step of an indictment.

The Advertiser has collected some strong evidence since Friday last but desires as much more as possible. If people who have sought to buy plumbing material and been refused; people who, having plumbing material of their own on hand could not get it installed without paying the trust a fine in the shape of a commission; and people who have been held up to pay extortionate charges, will communicate with this office giving a minute relation of the facts, whether for publication or not need not matter, they will assist in bringing the trust to an early end.

The plumbers, like the neighbors of Noah before the flood, say this isn't going to be much of a shower. Just wait and see.

DEMOGOGUE ALL OVER.

In the course of his speech yesterday Mr. Emmeluth complained that this paper had called him a demagogue and then went on to prove himself one of the most barefaced demagogues in the country, not excepting Wilcox.

"In regard to the statements in the Advertiser about me I think such things ought to be disregarded as we are under the Territorial Act today. Such statements are of the past." By this Mr. Emmeluth implies that the Advertiser is bringing up dead issues when, in point of fact, it was he himself who exhorted them in the speech this paper criticised—where he said that the whites in 1893 (of whom he was one) "had taken away the rights of the natives." Think of the brazen audacity of the man to make such a charge and then, when it is repelled, accuse the other side of raking up the past!

But this is not all! Emmeluth actually pledged himself to the natives to help them fight the trusts, yet he is one of the choice spirits of a trust that is swindling every native house-owner who is compelled, by regulations which Emmeluth himself helped to frame, to put in plumbing. If a native voter thinks Emmeluth is opposed to trusts let him try to buy plumbing supplies at the demagogue's store. Let him see if he can get such supplies at any price, let alone a fair one. "In the past," says Emmeluth, "we had an oligarchy. They thought that there were no other people but themselves." Again hear the demagogue! If the Provisional Government was an oligarchy, Emmeluth, an original revolutionist, helped to set it up. He became a member of its councils and one of its armed defenders and beneficiaries. He spoke for it as he is now pretending to speak for the natives. Then he said in one public address: "The white men will all stand by what has been done even if they have to take up their guns again." That is to say Emmeluth promised to fight for what he now calls an oligarchy. He turns around and bids the natives beware of the "white men" whose "guns" he boasted of and threatened them with; to beware of the very people of whose so-called "oligarchy" he became a part. At every turn Emmeluth now damns the whites—in other words fouls his own nest. Yet when he was summoning the whites from a public platform to dethrone the Queen he said: "We must stand shoulder to shoulder. If the Queen had succeeded last Saturday, myself and you would have been robbed of the privileges without which no white man can live in this community." He was out for white men then because he thought he could get something from them; now he is out against white men because he thinks he can get more from the natives. If John Emmeluth is not a demagogue then there is no meaning in the word.

INFORMATION WANTED.

Notwithstanding Mr. Emmeluth's unwillingness to have his past political record examined, we hope he will consent to answer the following questions, either in a letter to the press or by word of mouth:

I. Did you, Mr. Emmeluth, being a member of the Council of State in January, 1895, attend a meeting of that body which was called to consider the punishment which ought to be passed upon Robert Wilcox and his co-conspirators in the attempted revolution of that year?

II. Being present and asked to express your views, did you not make an earnest speech, protesting against the lenient proposals of some of the other members and declaring that Robert Wilcox and his near associates—but particularly Wilcox—should be hanged; "falling which there could be no future peace in this country?"

III. Do not the minutes taken at that meeting reveal you as an implacable opponent of compromise and as a strenuous advocate of the halter and the gallows?

IV. Was not your separation from the "oligarchy" and the "missionaries" due to your disgust, often reiterated, at the "cowardly" policy of the Government as respects Wilcox and his lieutenants? Did you not leave the Government party then and there?

Now Mr. Emmeluth, if you will pause long enough in your rhapsodies over Wilcox as a modern "Joseph" to answer these questions, the Advertiser will open a further chapter of the annals of 1895.

A British military expedition to look at some reputed coal fields near Peking indicates that John Bull does not intend to leave China until he can see whether or not it would be a business proposition.

NEWS OF WORLD
CONDENSED

Admiral Sampson is ill. Patti will tour America again. Bryan is electioneering in Michigan. Olga Nethersole will attempt Hamlet. Congressman Bouteille is much better.

Iron mines near Utica, N. Y., will close down in Australia. The Sonoma county, Cal., fair is a big success.

The Woman's Parliament in Los Angeles is over.

A bull fight at San Jose, Cal., proved a tame affair.

William Staubt committed suicide at Santa Cruz, Cal.

There is trouble between Colombia, Venezuela and Ecuador.

General Brooke has urged the entire remodeling of the army.

No woman's suffrage referendum will be granted in Australia.

American officers at Peking have organized a Dragon Society.

The wife of Melbourne McDowell, the actor, is suing for divorce.

The Spanish war veterans are in session at Chattanooga, Tenn.

One million dollars in gold is en route from Dawson to the States.

The Russians are strongly re-enforcing the army in Manchuria.

The Liberals are gaining slightly in the British election campaign.

The Democrats are charged with colonizing voters in Montana.

A Chinese murder trial is attracting attention at Redwood City, Cal.

The first work on the Stanford arch at Palo Alto has been unveiled.

Print cloths have gone up one-eighth of a cent in the United States.

One of the Delmonicos has been recently and romantically married.

T. C. Norris, a teamster, was killed at Los Angeles by falling timber.

The St. Louis & San Francisco road has absorbed the Kansas Midland.

The striking students at San Bernardino are supported by their elders.

The Monte Cristo, a Skeena river boat, was sunk with a loss of \$5,000.

Work on the Los Angeles & Salt Lake railroad will rest until after election.

President Errazuriz, of Chile, who has been seriously ill, has recovered.

A big cave-in at a Jerome, Arizona, mine endangers the lives of 300 men.

Charles Wheeler, a well known Colorado railroad man, is dead at Denver.

The Republican campaign in California is an active and enthusiastic one.

The Board of Trade of Chicago has succeeded in closing the bucket shops.

A shipment of \$50,000 in gold has been made from London to New York.

The Carnegie and the steel trust will build ships to carry steel across the Atlantic.

England is said to have agreed unconditionally to Germany's second note.

The Society of the Army of the Cumberland has completed its convention.

Thousands of striking coal miners held a demonstration in Scranton, Pa.

The Southern California Homeopathic Association is meeting at Los Angeles.

The Oregon Short Line Railroad directors are in session in Salt Lake City.

There is a demand for new blood in the reconstruction of the British cabinet.

Lady Francis Hope (May Yohe) is sued for \$50,000 by a theatrical manager.

A rally of Democratic clubs all over the country will be held on October 27th.

Sister Baptista, a Catholic teacher at Helena, Montana, was accidentally shot.

The United States cable ship Burnside, is at Gibraltar, en route for Manila.

Sir Redvers Buller has bidden farewell to his troops, and will return to England.

Lieutenant Colonel Brinkerhoff, Sixth United States Infantry, has been retired.

W. V. Powell, president of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, has been deposed.

The Chinese general, Tung Fu Siang, has disappeared with a large force of troops.

There is lively competition for the construction of the new American war vessels.

The British are planning a small expedition to investigate coal mines near Peking.

Contributions for the Catholic University in Washington are coming in rapidly.

The challenge of Sir Thomas Lister for the America's cup is on its way to America.

Dr. Jordan, of Stanford, will lecture on the university tax amendment at Berkeley.

In the trial of bandits at Tucson, Arizona, a plot to hold up many trains was disclosed.

The Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church is in session at Sacramento.

A. P. Deer, an aeronaut, was killed by a fall from a balloon. It was his 32nd ascension.

General Edward Canavan, a veteran of the Mexican and civil wars, is dead at Stockton, Cal.

The billiard championship of California is being decided by a tournament in San Francisco.

S. B. Phipps, a fourteen-year-old boy of Sacramento, was accidentally shot while out hunting.

The Japanese troops are leaving Tientsin rapidly, and the officers say they are all going home.

W. Beach, a retired Los Angeles capitalist, was killed by a trolley car. He was deaf and dumb.

Corbett has challenged Jeffries, but Jeffries does not care to meet him after the late Corbett-McCoy fake.

Franklin Matthews in Harper's Weekly has printed a scathing arraignment of Tammany Hall.

Henry Youtsey, accused of murdering Goebel in Kentucky, is still in a precarious state, and his trial is interrupted.

The Porte will not be responsible if anti-Greek feeling is expressed against Crown Prince Frederick in Palestine.

The Northwestern has joined the Western railway pool. The Soo line has come in on the scheme for low rate homeseekers' excursions.

Football scores: University of Pennsylvania 24, Dickinson College 0; Princeton 25, Pennsylvania State College 0; Yale 50, Bates 0.

Samuel Brauhart, recently appointed on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, may lose his job, his appointment being said to be illegal.

It is understood that Field Marshal von Waldersee refused to acknowledge Li Hung Chang's visit Friday.

The Field Marshal goes to Peking in a few days.

The American marines from Peking have arrived at Taku, where they will be joined by the Tien-Tsin battalion and sent on the transport Indiana for Cavite.

If the San Francisco mill owners do not speedily grant the mill strikers' demands, the Building Trades' Council will construct mills and furnish building material.

Shanghai specials say the real reason for the suspension of H. H. Hain, governor of the province of Shan Si, was the discovery that his supposed army of 50,000 numbered only 40,000.

A military order has been issued to the German troops to occupy the railroad from Yang Tsun to Peking. The rest of the road will be occupied by the Russians, and the harbor of Ching Wan Tsa has been allotted to the British.

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